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Modupé Olaogun, Neil ten Kortenaar teach in hot new field of literature

Post-colonial discoveries

BY SHIRA KATZ

"The most exciting writing in the world today is from outside of Europe and the United States," said English professor Neil ten Kortenaar in an interview.

There has been an explosion of interest in books and plays from the countries colonized by Europe, particularly Africa, India and the Caribbean, and it's high time we acknowledged their importance, according to his colleague, Professor Modupé Olaogun. "We're talking about the voices of approximately two-thirds of the population of humanity, which includes 45 countries in Africa."

Student Alezandria Coldevin enrolled in a course given by ten Kortenaar to read something other than European or North American

literature. "You miss a lot if you don't know what other people think," she said. Both Olaogun and ten Kortenaar started teaching here last September. Their courses are designed to complement each other, with ten Kortenaar teaching on the Sir George Williams Campus and Olaogun at Loyola.

"We are being forcefully reminded now that there is a very strong and rich Black Atlantic made up of Africans and people of the African diaspora [in the West Indies, Europe and North America]," said ten Kortenaar. "You can't imagine white America without it."

Concordia student Diana Atkinson said these courses have taught her that the point of view of European heterosexual men is not the standard. "Instead, that view takes a less central, more realistic place alongside the literary perspective of

black women, gay people, [and other groups]."

Olaogun comes from a country where the high school programme includes not only the English classics, but also writers from Africa.

"When I was in high school in Nigeria, I was studying Shakespeare alongside [Nobel-Prize-winning Nigerian] Wole Soyinka, and South African/Botswana writer Bessie Head alongside Charlotte Bronte." Here in Canada, we've seen such a mix of authors only in the past decade.

"It would be good to see more of these courses fully complementing the existing curricula, just as feminist theory complements and enriches existing models," she said.

Student Majero Bouman agreed. "I've gained a perspective on colonialism and post-colonial societies, and I've learned to analyze my posi-

tion as a reader in terms of where these books are coming from and why they are written. More courses like this are needed, and not just in English."

Olaogun wrote her MA thesis on popular fiction in Nigeria at the University of Ibadan and did her PhD at York University in Toronto in 1993. Now she's leading Concordia students through work in a variety of genres from such places as Senegal, Zimbabwe, Pakistan and the West Indies.

After reading a play, a piece of short fiction or criticism from another country, students may feel that the current debate between Québec and Canada has parallels in the post-colonial world. Decolonized countries have had constantly to negotiate and renegotiate their political identities.

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Modupé Olaogun

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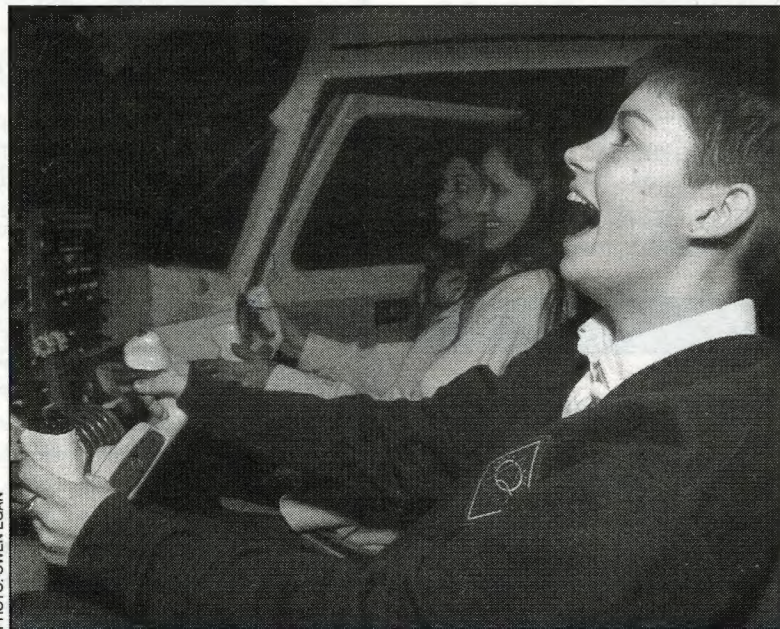
Students from across Québec competed for \$14,000 in prizes

Concordians win big at Engineering meet

BY BARBARA BLACK AND
MICHAEL ORSINI

Concordia Engineering students not only played hosts to their peers from around the province last weekend, they gave them a run for their money.

The Quebec Engineering Competition, which for 11 years has brought students together to test their skills, was held here for the first time since 1987. Eighty-seven students competed on 46 teams in events that ranged from corporate design to extemporaneous debate.



Engineers of Tomorrow brought 90 female high school students to the University on January 25 to get a taste of science and engineering. The young women had a great time exploring the machine tool lab and the environmental lab, building their own alarm systems and meeting established engineers and academics. Here Marie-Claude Cardinale, of Queen of Angels Academy, screams as she "crashes" her plane in the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science's flight simulator.

Congratulations to the following Concordians:

- George Metrakos, John Theofanopoulos and Brendan Montour shared the \$1,000 Ordre des ingénieurs du Québec's Excellence Award—the competition's highest honour—for their conversion of a Ford Escort to electric drive;
- the same team won second prize (\$750, awarded by Merck Frosst) in the Corporate Design category for the same project;
- Mike Slater won the Communication Excellence Award, and the use of a cellular phone for one year, given by Bell Mobilité, (Promenades de la Cathédrale) for a project on antenna-radiation enhancement;
- Elizabeth Kyriacou won third prize (\$500, from Spar Aerospace) in the Corporate Design category for a computer-based inventory control system;
- and Jari Tuominiemi won a third prize (\$500, from the Fondation J. Armand Bombardier) for Editorial Communication, for a project on energy issues for the building sciences.

Roberto Turruciano, president of the QEC organizing committee, said he was pleased with this year's turnout, the best ever.

"We won, and it's about time," said Turruciano, a fourth-year

Mechanical Engineering student. "We hadn't been on the list of winners for a while."

Other winning institutions were Université du Québec à Chicoutimi, McGill University, Université Laval, Université de Sherbrooke and the École Polytechnique.

More than \$14,000 in prizes were donated by a number of local companies and organizations, including the event's major sponsors: Télécité, Allied Signal Canada, Bell Helicopter Textron, Bombardier Inc. Canadair, Merck Frosst, Spar Space Systems Canada, the Association des Ingénieurs - Conseils du Québec, CAE Electronics Ltd., Alcan, the Engineering and Computer Science Students' Association (ECA), 3M Canada, Bell Sygma Inc., the Concordia MasterCard Committee, and the Mechanical Engineering Department. The competition's patrons were Hydro-Québec, Northern Telecom, Pratt & Whitney Canada, and the Ordre des ingénieurs du Québec.

The first- and second-place winners in the QEC's five categories will travel next month to the Canadian Engineering Competition, to be held at the University of Alberta in Edmonton. Next year's provincial competition will be at the Université de Sherbrooke. ♥

Andrew Sherwood dives into his research

BY JANE SOBOL

The idea of diving to the bottom of the sea in search of ancient vessels and other relics seems the stuff of dreams. But to Andrew Sherwood, an archeologist who specializes in both underwater and land excavations, it's all in a day's work.

Sherwood has been teaching in Concordia's Classics Department since the fall of 1993. His most recent work, *The Harbours of Caesarea Maritima*, documents the findings of an international group of archeologists at the ancient port city of Caesarea, on Israel's Mediterranean coast. The book, written with John Oleson, Michael Fitzgerald and

Steven Sidebotham, is the second in a series of four volumes on the topic, and discusses the results of excavations from 1980 to 1985.

The project was to study the construction of the harbour, and uncover the plans and techniques used in its design. Although an approximate location of the port was identified in the second half of the twentieth century, the group also spent time determining it more exactly. "Using aerial photography and other methods, we were able to probe beyond any doubt the site of Caesarea, something that had not been done before," Sherwood said.

During the excavation, the researchers uncovered an ancient

commercial ship, as well as clues to the history of the harbour.

"By studying the materials used in the construction of the port, we were able to determine that there was a connection between the Roman and Judean empires. It was previously believed that marble slabs were used to build it, but we discovered that it was a form of concrete imported from Italy instead."

Sherwood first became interested in marine archeology when he moved to B.C. in 1978 to complete a Master's degree in classics at the University of Victoria. There he met John Oleson, one of Canada's top underwater archeologists and head of the Caesarea project. Sherwood's curiosity was piqued from the start, but unlike many of his west coast counterparts, he was not a diver, having been raised in landlocked Calgary.

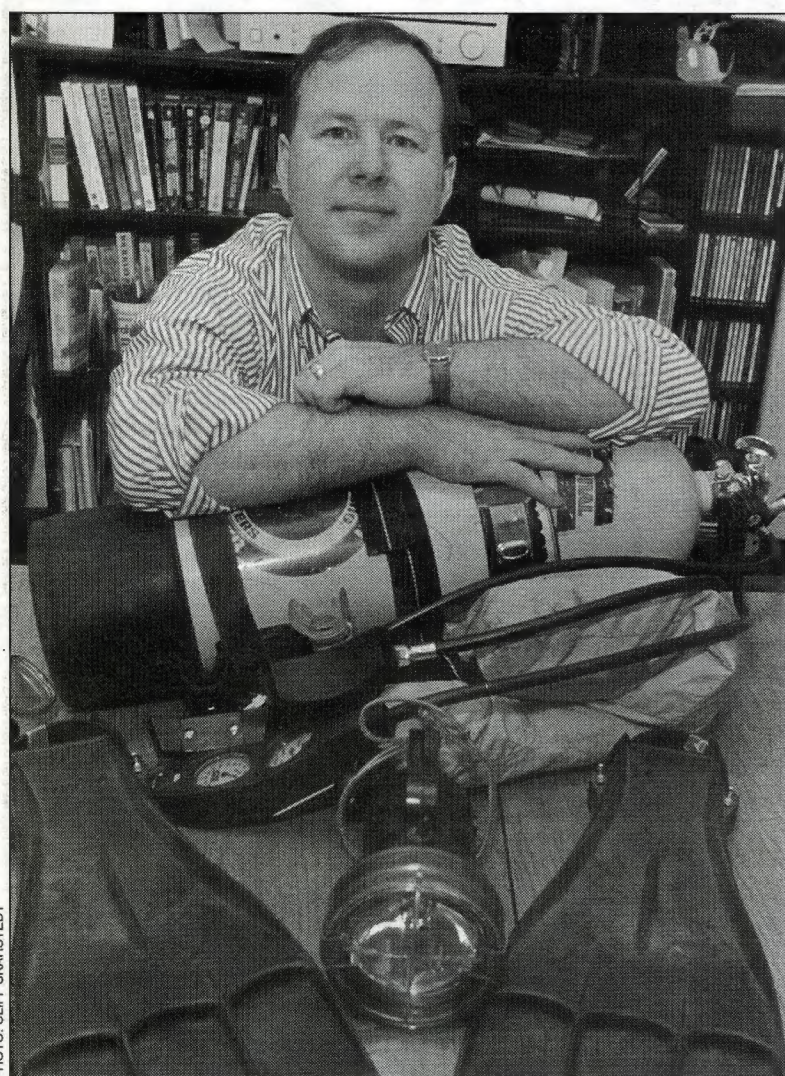
"I had always been a swimmer, but had no diving experience. Still, I really wanted to go to Caesarea, so I decided to learn."

He has never looked back. One of the most rewarding aspects of the job is the moment of discovery. "The work can be long and tedious, but as soon as you find something, you instantly forget the boredom."

His own first major discovery took place on a dig in Israel, when he uncovered the remains of a horse's skull in an area where horses were not supposed to have been. "It was tremendously exciting," he recalled.

In addition to teaching, Sherwood is completing his doctoral thesis at Princeton University on the study of coins and inscriptions as a method of determining the relationship between Roman and Hellenistic cultures in the first two centuries A.D.

Sherwood is planning a dig in the Jordanian desert, on the site of an ancient Roman town. But for now, he is at Concordia regaling his students with tales of travel and mystery, and maybe gaining a few converts in the process. ♥



Andrew Sherwood

IN BRIEF...

Sabbatical denials reconsidered

Vice-Rector Academic Robert Parker sent a letter to the deans telling them that the University was wrong to use provincial norms to deny some applications for sabbatical leave.

The letter follows a series of meetings with executive members of the Concordia University Faculty Association (CUFA).

In the letter, dated January 31, 1995, Parker proposes that deans and

departmental chairs review all the sabbatical leaves in question, keeping in mind the academic merit of the proposal (according to Article 26 of the collective agreement), the continued viability of academic programmes and running of the departments, and the seriousness of the financial problems facing the University.

This should be "a formalized and transparent process, made known to all faculty members," and be wound up by February 27.

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Italian summer school

Scholarships are available for Samnium '95, a three-credit course to be given in Campobasso, Italy, from May 15 to June 23.

Italian-Canadian students from all disciplines may apply, but preference will be given to students who have at least one parent of Molisan origin (province of Campobasso or Isernia) and who understand Italian.

The deadline for applications is April 7, 1995. For more information, call 848-2280.

ELSEWHERE...

COMPILED BY MICHAEL ORSINI

This column highlights newsworthy events at universities across Canada and abroad. If you have any interesting bits of information to pass on, please send them to Concordia's Thursday Report, BC-117.

- B.C.'s **Simon Fraser University** is considering a controversial admissions policy which would admit 10 per cent of new students based on a mix of academic and extracurricular excellence. SFU's Director of Admissions said the University wants to correct the impression that "being in a play or being class valedictorian doesn't matter. That sort of attitude can carry over to the university and impoverish campus life." Under the proposed diverse qualifications admissions policy, 10 per cent of new admissions would be based, in part, on three non-academic factors: sense of purpose, demonstrated excellence, and difficult circumstances.
- Perestroika is in the air at **Université Laval**. A committee struck by the Rector has submitted a report to the university's Board of Governors, calling for a drastic restructuring plan. The university, says the committee, has increased the number of departments and departments within departments, which has led to divisiveness and the adoption of a *chacun pour soi* mentality. Also, there is an impression, albeit false, that there are two universities, one for the masses, which serves the other, an elite institution for researchers. The report was printed in full in a recent issue of *Au Fil des Événements*, Université Laval's official newspaper.
- A math professor at **Dalhousie University** is taking Canada's largest granting agency to court, after receiving only a fraction of the money he requested. Kok-Keong Tan, a faculty member for 25 years, had applied for a five-year grant totalling \$285,000 and only received a three-year grant of \$18,000. An expert in non-linear analysis, Tan says his reputation has been tarnished by the snub from the Natural Science and Engineering Research Council (NSERC). Tan told *Dalhousie News* he's in it for the long haul. "I feel so strongly about it that I am even willing to mortgage my house," he said.
- **McGill University's** former principal, David Johnston, recently bought a house in Westmount owned by his former employer for almost half of the Montreal Urban Community valuation, according to *The Westmount Examiner*. McGill sold the house to Johnston in October for \$363,000. The Sunnyside Ave. home and land have a combined MUC valuation of \$649,900.
- A **Dalhousie University** student has been charged in connection with the shooting of her roommate. Lisa Corra has been remanded to a Nova Scotia hospital, where she will undergo a psychiatric evaluation. The victim, Nusra Campbell, was treated in hospital with shotgun wounds to the arm and face, but her injuries are not life threatening. Police believe the Jan. 13 incident was the culmination of a personal dispute between the two roommates.
- *Maclean's* magazine is being raked over the coals by local media after running an article on the controversial chain of events surrounding the retirement of a professor at the **University of Alberta**. The magazine criticized U of A President Murray Fraser for apparently trying to cover up allegations of academic misconduct by quietly allowing the faculty member in question, educational psychology professor Prem S. Fry, to take an early retirement. While defending Fraser against any allegations of a cover-up, *The Gauntlet*, the U of A's student newspaper, said the situation represents a dangerous double standard, with one policy for professors and another for students. Any student caught cheating would hardly be given the option to leave the university with no questions asked, a *Gauntlet* editorial said. Fry is now teaching at the **University of Victoria**.

SOURCES: *Simon Fraser News*, *The Westmount Examiner*, *Au Fil des Événements*, *Dalhousie News*, *The Gauntlet*

Cutting-edge technology has applications in diagnosis, pharmaceuticals

Mass spectrometer acquired for biochemists

BY SHIRA KATZ

Chemistry and biochemistry students and researchers at Concordia now have access to a state-of-the-art electrospray ionization mass spectrometer which can analyze molecules of living matter.

"It already has many uses in the pharmaceutical industry and in biochemistry," said Chemistry Professor Ann English. "We are the first educational institution in Montréal to train graduate students in the technology."

Mass spectrometry involves the identification and study of ions in the gas phase. A great deal of chemistry and biochemistry involves ions in solution. Electrospray ionization is a technique which allows the efficient transfer of ions from solution to the gas phase for mass spectrometric study.

"Knowing the weight of a molecule could be a very important factor in diagnosis," said Concordia PhD student George Tsapraillis, whose fascination with new measurement techniques has spread through his department. Tsapraillis explained that with the mass spectrometer's ability to measure the mass of proteins, it is now possible to compare a diseased protein to a disease-free protein of the same type, and to draw inferences. The scientist might be able to design a way to fight disease and test that hypothesis using mass spectrometry.

The new spectrometer can measure the masses of heavy biological molecules, or "biomolecules," found in living creatures, such as DNA, proteins, and peptides. The technology has significant applications in the detection of abnormal (or diseased) forms of proteins such as hemoglobin, a protein that binds oxygen in the blood. "Only in the 1990s have people appreciated the power of this instrument for biomolecule analysis," English said.

Lower margin of error

The Department's older mass spectrometers can only measure the masses of relatively small molecules which can be vapourized easily. Scientists had to rely on methods that contained a high margin of error, from 5 to 10 per cent. The margin of error with the new machine is only 0.01 per cent because it combines the high mass accuracy of the mass spectrometer with electrospray ionization technology.

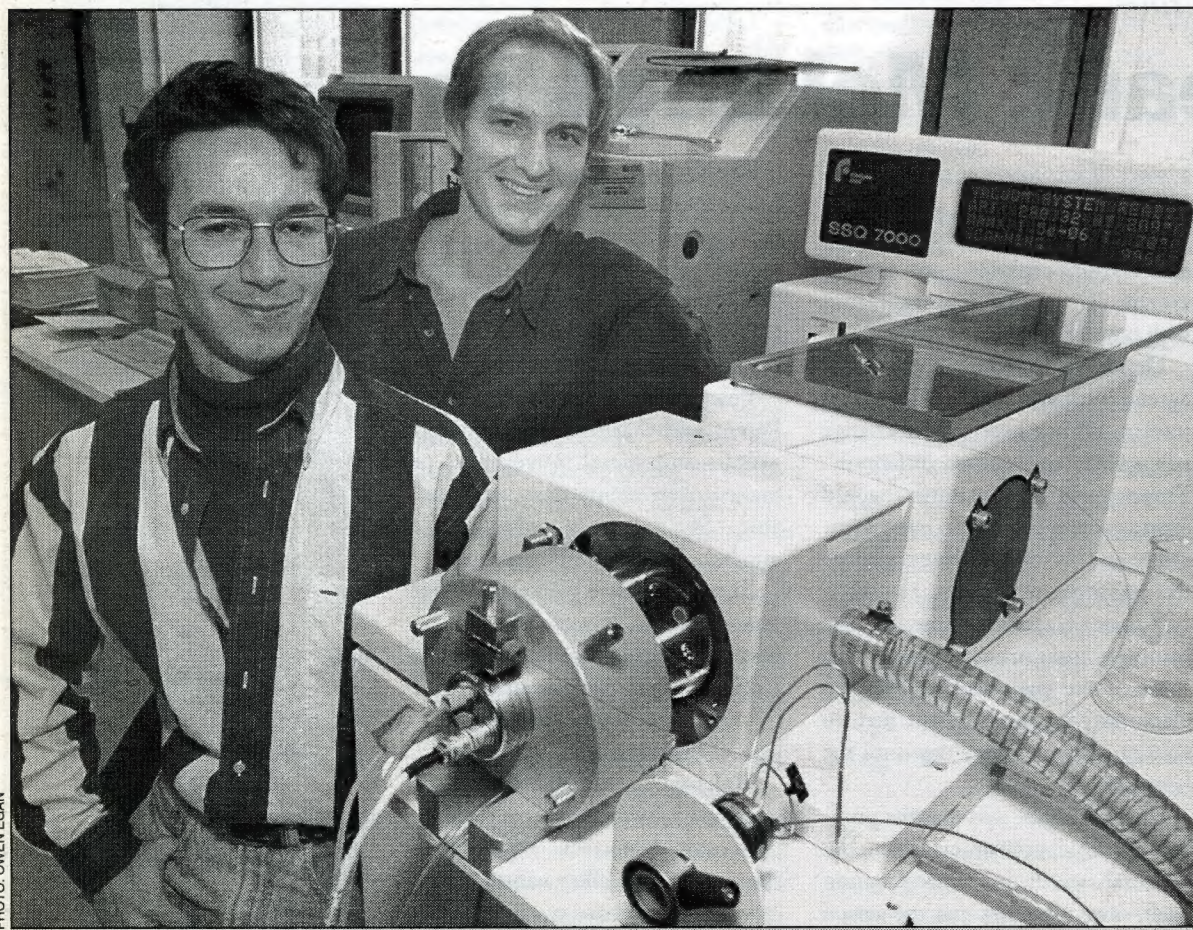
Electrospray ionization separates the ions in a solution from the solvent by spraying the solution into the inlet of the mass spectrometer through a needle held at a high voltage. This ionization technique does not break up the ions, so they enter the mass spectrometer intact. A computer controls the electrospray and the mass spectrometer, and collects the data.

The researchers use a software programme to analyze the results.

"Not only does it make a huge difference in saving time, but you can do things you couldn't do before," said English.

The implications of being able to measure with such accuracy are massive. It raises the possibility of developing a vaccine for tumours, as outlined in a recent seminar in the Department by Donald F. Hunt, a chemistry professor from the University of Virginia. In his seminar, which was sponsored by Merck Frosst's Centre for Therapeutic Research, Hunt explained how he uses the electrospray mass spectrometer in his drive to find a vaccine for cancer.

A space on the tenth floor of the Henry F. Hall Building was renovated specifically for the new arrival. Last April, English and three co-applicants (Professors Peter Banks, Susan Mikkelsen and Youla Tsantrizos) were awarded \$287,631 by NSERC (the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council) to buy the mass spectrometer, and it was up and running by November. Both Tsapraillis and Craig Fenwick, another PhD student in English's lab, have spent the past year working with the technology. They first worked with Bernard Gibbs, a Sir George Williams graduate, at the Biotechnology Research Institute in Montréal, and are now using Concordia's machine for research projects. ▀



Craig Fenwick and George Tsapraillis with Concordia's mass spectrometer.

AT A GLANCE

COMPILED BY BARBARA BLACK

This column welcomes the submissions of all Concordia faculty and staff to promote and encourage individual and group activities in teaching and research, and to encourage work-related achievements.

Désirée Park (Philosophy) lectured in the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Warsaw, in May 1993 on "The Role of the State and Enlightened Self-Interest." This lecture recently appeared in Polish translation, as "Rola Państwa i Oswieconego Interesu Własnego" in *Edukacja Filozoficzna*, Vol. 16, 1993 (translated by Krystyna Krauze-Blachowicz, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Warsaw).

The Centre for Pattern Recognition and Machine Intelligence (CENPAR-MI) was well represented at the 12th International Conference on Pattern Recognition, held in Jerusalem in October. The delegation was led by CENPARMI director **Ching Suen**, Computer Science Professor **Adam Krzyzak** and inter-university member Réjean Plamondon of École Polytechnique. Also attending were research associate **Louisa Lam** and graduate student **Fady Said**. They presented 11 technical papers, the largest number of presentations by a single group at this conference, which attracted 520 scientists from all over the world. In recognition of Suen's and Plamondon's contributions to the field of pattern recognition and the International Association for Pattern Recognition (IAPR), they were elected as two of the first 35 fellows in the 6,000-member organization.

REACH, a summer science day camp started by Concordia and McGill University students, was named one of the 14 inaugural winners of a Michael Smith Award for Science Promotion. The award, announced in November, honours efforts to encourage young people to pursue careers in science, technology and engineering.

Caroline Knowles (Sociology and Anthropology) gave a paper called "Racism and Oral History" at the International Oral History Conference at Columbia University in New York in October.

Ira Robinson (Religion) was elected president of the Canadian Jewish Historical Society last summer. He is the author of many articles in the field, and the editor of *An Everyday Miracle: Yiddish Culture in Montreal*.

David Howes (Sociology and Anthropology) is editing a special issue of *Anthropologie et Sociétés* on commodities and cultural borders. His contributions include "Des mondes de biens" and "L'arôme de la marchandise" (with Constance Classen). Howes presented a paper, "Olfactory Time and Space," at the American Anthropological Association's meeting in Atlanta in early December. He has an article on "The Senses in Medicine" coming out in the next issue of *Culture, Medicine and Psychiatry*.

Patrick Landsley (Painting and Drawing) was recently invited to give the introductory remarks at the vernissage of an exhibition of "Five Viennese Painters" at the Mercier Cultural Centre in Montréal. The exhibition was organized by the Austrian Embassy in Ottawa.

Ronald Rudin (History) has published "La quête d'une société normale: critique de la réinterprétation de l'histoire du Québec" in the *Bulletin d'histoire politique* (Winter 1995). This article, which is a translation of a piece that originally appeared in the *Canadian Historical Review*, will form the basis for a round table on the writing of Québec history, to be held at the Université du Québec à Montréal on February 10.

Danielle Gauvreau (Sociology and Anthropology) attended the conference, Systèmes démographique occidentaux du passé, in France in December, where she presented a paper, "Variabilité sociale de la croissance démographique: un exemple de tensions exacerbées."

Thomas Kemple (Sociology and Anthropology) presented a paper, "The Specular Illusions of Capitalism: Balzac and Marx on the Critical Fictions of Political Economy," at the New Economic Criticism conference at Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, in October. The essay will appear in French in a forthcoming issue of the *Cahiers de recherche sociologique*.

Congratulations to **Mair Verthuy** (Études françaises), who has been named to the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council.

Stanley Horner, Professor Emeritus of Fine Arts, was on the jury of a December exhibition sponsored by the Cornwall Regional Art Gallery.

Former Tory minister fears government will bow to public pressure to abolish policy

Weiner still passionate about multiculturalism

BY RACHEL ALKALLAY

Current attacks on multiculturalism imply that Canada, a country made up of a multitude of languages, colours and cultures, is a mistake.

So said Gerry Weiner, former Progressive-Conservative Minister of Immigration and Multiculturalism, in a lecture sponsored by the joint Concordia-Université du Québec à Montréal Chair in Ethnic Studies and Concordia's Centre for Community and Ethnic Studies.

Weiner, speaking in both languages with humour and passion, decried the rising tide of criticism of multiculturalism. He declared himself mystified by a recent attack on the policy by well-known Montréal writer Neil Bissoondath.

As minister for nine years, Weiner helped to establish 14 chairs in eth-

nic and cultural studies across the country, including the Concordia-UQAM chair, Concordia's Chair of Hindu Studies, and a chair in Black Studies at Dalhousie University.

Rejects melting pot

His interpretation of multiculturalism has to do with "integrating it into our lives, and understanding what it is to be Canadian." He rejected other models for Canada, including that of the melting-pot, because it eventually leads to "ethnic purification"; the status quo, which can lead to confrontation; and separation or segregation, which leads to apartheid.

"The word tolerance annoys me," he said. "When you tolerate somebody, you merely put up with them at a basic level, without understanding or accepting them."

Weiner said he wouldn't exchange

Canadian society for class-based Europe, or the United States, with its crime, drugs and lack of basic health care.

He fears that the current Liberal government (which invented the policy during the Trudeau years) will kill it because of public pressure. The former ministry is currently one of six divisions in the Department of Canadian Heritage, lumped in with sports, forestry and official languages.

Canadians need to work together to become more comfortable with one another, he said, and multiculturalism is for everybody.

"People come here on bended knee. They risk everything to be able to call themselves Canadian, because Canada is worth the effort."

The former Montréal-area Member of Parliament is now national director of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science. ■



PHOTO: JONAS PAPARELIS

Lynn Doyle, secretary of the St. Patrick's Society of Montréal, is seen above (right) with Concordia's Director of Archives Nancy Marrelli amid material derived from the city's long-established Irish community. The society recently gave \$3,000 to Concordia to help with sorting it out and assessing its historical value. The material — which Marrelli says includes everything from letters by Darcy McGee, the great Irish-Canadian Confederation-era politician, to a scrapbook of beautiful old postcards on Irish themes — has been in the Concordia Archives, uncatalogued for lack of money, for many years. Doyle is holding Darcy McGee's walking stick.



Madeleine Parent, Audrey McLaughlin, moderator Leslie Seidle, Chantal Maillé and David MacDonald.

SCPA panel debates quotas for women, minorities

Join the mainstream: McLaughlin

BY TRISH SNYDER

Reserving seats in Parliament for women and minorities won't help them get better representation, New Democratic Party leader Audrey McLaughlin said here last week.

"Having a certain number of designated seats for a linguistic or racial group can further marginalize that group," McLaughlin said, referring to a handful of seats in the New Zealand legislature set aside for the Maori. Because of the quota, the Maori could never hope to come to power without joining another party.

McLaughlin, who will soon step down from the NDP leadership, dominated a panel discussion titled "Who Represents You?" organized by five students of the School of Community and Public Affairs as part of their second-year course work.

About 200 were drawn to the J.A. DeSève Cinema on February 8 to hear four speakers discuss imbalances

in political representation. The other panelists were Madeleine Parent, of the National Action Committee on the Status of Women, former Progressive-Conservative MP David MacDonald, and Professor Chantal Maillé of the Simone de Beauvoir Institute (a last-minute replacement for Parti Québécois vice-president Monique Simard). The moderator was Leslie Seidle, a research director from the Institute for Research on Public Policy.

Need electoral reform

Audrey McLaughlin told the audience that reforms of the electoral system and of political parties are needed more than quotas.

Parties should support minority candidates, as the NDP does. McLaughlin complained that the media have distorted the NDP's affirmative action policy, saying the party has a quota of unqualified people.

"I tell them, 'No, we already have

a quota of incompetent people in the House of Commons, and this is what we're trying to change.'" She also favours replacing our current system of regional representation with proportional representation.

David MacDonald, a liberal Tory, agreed with the need for electoral reform, noting how results change when votes are counted differently. Proportional representation would express voters' intentions more accurately and possibly prevent ineffective majority governments, he said.

"Quite frankly, some of the minority governments have been some of the best, because they are electorally responsible not just on election day, but every day until the next election."

Chantal Maillé said that the problem for Québec women is not the electoral system, but representation itself, since it implies that the person who represents and the person being represented have unequal power.

The Québec women's movement can best reflect the common interests of women while respecting their individual differences, she said. "Women's groups deserve more credit for defending the interests of women than the women in office do."

Veteran labour activist Madeleine Parent said that it is up to interest groups and social movements to make governments more accountable. She'd start by reducing the number of lawyers in Parliament.

"If we had more workers, student representatives, farmers and spokespeople for social assistance recipients, I think a legislative assembly would be more sensitive to the real problems of the population," Parent said.

McLaughlin said that Canadians must take a more active role if we are to improve democracy. "Studies have shown that if we allow nature to take its course, we'll have equal representation of women in about 150 years. That's kind of a long time to wait." ■

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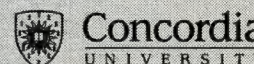
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Engineers cement ties with industry partners

The Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science hosted about 80 of its best friends in the downtown Faculty Club last Friday.

It was the first Industrial Partners' Breakfast, held to thank the many companies which stuck with the Faculty through thick and thin, to bring them up to date on its progress, and to announce the establishment of a permanent advisory board.

After being welcomed by Board of

Governors member and Montréal industrialist Leo Goldfarb, the guests were given a short introduction to the Faculty by Dean Donat Taddeo.

He used a video presentation prepared in the University's MITE AVISTA lab to show how active the Faculty has been, particularly in acquiring research grants and contracts.

Taddeo pointed out that during the past 18 months, an intense effort has been made to increase the num-

ber of accredited engineers among the professoriate and to improve their ability to work in French. In the past three years, he added, 15 new full-time faculty have been hired, of whom six are women.

Corporate guests included representatives from Bell-Northern Research, CPF Dualam, the Forest Engineering Research Institute of Canada, Micro Tech, Pratt & Whitney Canada, and Bombardier.

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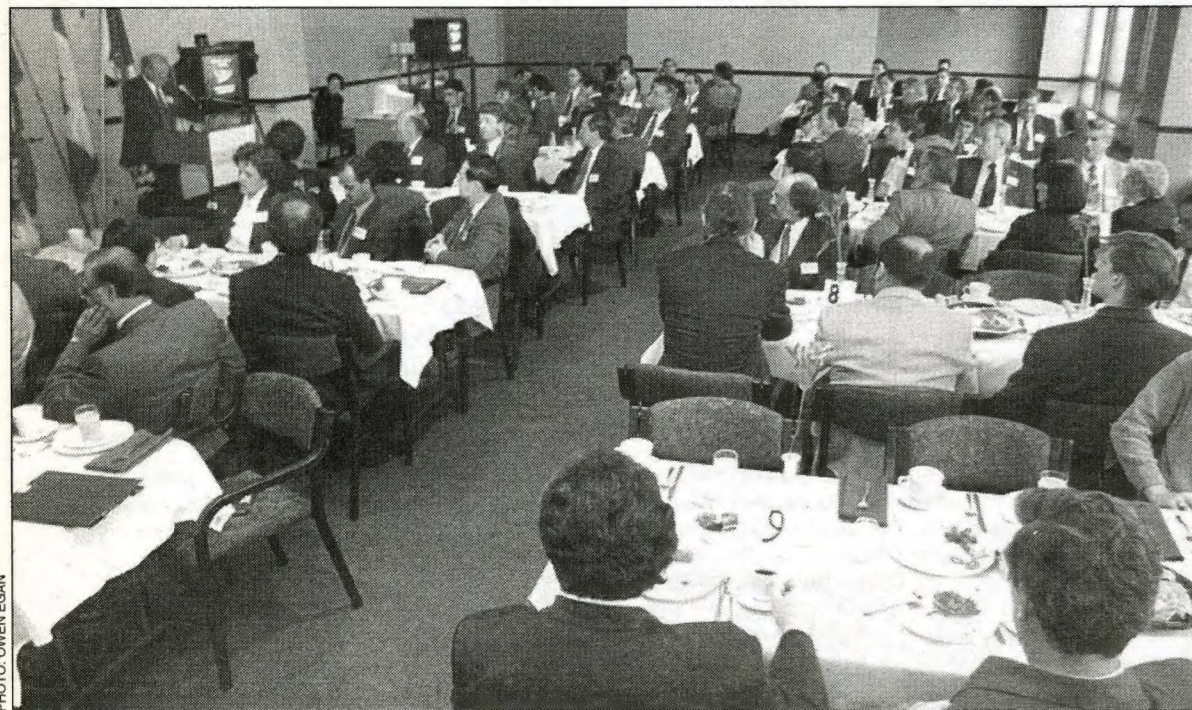


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Toronto woman turns diagnosis into activism

HIV educates a carrier

BY HELENA KATZ

Darien Taylor's misconceptions about AIDS slowly fell by the wayside after she tested positive for HIV eight years ago.

Speaking on women with HIV/AIDS at Concordia recently, the Toronto activist described her journey from the diagnosis to her involvement as an activist and founder of the group Voices of Positive Women.

She contracted the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) while teaching in Zimbabwe for three years in the early 1980s. Myths about AIDS were more prevalent than information, and condoms weren't available.

"In the back of my mind, AIDS was something which was happening in gay communities in North America and other African countries like Uganda," Taylor recalled.

Months after ending a year-long relationship with a renowned Zimbabwean writer, she read a newspaper article about his death from pneumonia.

"In the pit of my stomach, I knew

he had AIDS and I was probably infected, too. But I didn't want to know. "A test she took at the end of her contract confirmed she was HIV-positive. Then she returned to Canada.

Her family's doctor in Hamilton had little more knowledge about the disease than she. "Make sure you disinfect the toilet seat after you use it," he told her. Then he referred her to a doctor who treats people with HIV.

She read voraciously about AIDS, and changed her diet. "There I was, healthy as a horse, giving up coffee, thinking I would get an extra two weeks [of life] for it." Eventually, she gave up her regimen. "It was really hard to live year after year with the wretchedness of [knowing about the] HIV and give up things which gave me pleasure. Now I drink coffee, alcohol, stay up late and smoke."

Despite her growing knowledge, her own biases followed her to a Toronto women's support group which she had joined. "I was afraid the others would be sex-trade workers and drug users. It's revealing how much I'd swallowed the perception of who got HIV."

Five years ago, she co-edited an international anthology on women living with HIV/AIDS. For many of the contributors, it was their first connection with other women who had the disease.

Then she founded Voices of Positive Women, a provincial support group based in Toronto. They produced the first information brochures for women with HIV in Canada, set up support groups, a fund to cover the treatment costs of medication and advocated for women's access to clinical trials.

Two years ago she decided to indulge in her passion for travel. On her first trip she went to Morocco, Algeria and Tunisia. Last year she visited Egypt, Jordan and Syria. "It's a way of staring down the virus, and saying, 'I'll push you around—you won't push me around.'"

One of Taylor's great joys is something which makes others shudder—watching her body change as it ages. "Years ago, I didn't think I would live long enough to worry about aging."

Her talk was the last in a series sponsored by Concordia's HIV/AIDS advisory committee. ■

LIBRARY NEWS

*This column is compiled by Lee Harris,
Webster Library (LB-285, 848-7724, e-mail: lharris@vax2)*

When in doubt, ask the expert

A library can be an intimidating place, and even the library-literate may occasionally feel frustrated. This is particularly true in a large system like Concordia's.

While everyone who works there has a general knowledge about the services and materials, it would be impossible for everyone to know each area in detail. That's why we have specialists to help you. When in doubt, ask for help.

Reference librarians have the most comprehensive knowledge. They are also experts in research methodology, which can involve going to another library or to the Internet.

For complex questions, you may be advised to arrange an appointment with your Subject Librarian. Each department in the University has one librarian designated to act as the specialist liaison with students and faculty in that department.

Librarians have Master's degrees in library and information science, and are constantly updating their professional training.

The Circulation staff are the experts when it comes to telling you about borrowing and placing holds on books and inter-campus delivery service. They also accept payment of fines.

Serials Desk staff will help you operate the microform reader/printers and interpret the CLUES listings for journals.

Media Centre staff are trained to help you use the many types of equipment found there.

If you need help finding Canadian or Québec laws, regulations or statistics, the information desk in Government Publications (Webster) or the Reference Desk (Vanier) are the places to start.

Front-line staff will try to help you solve any problem you may have. There are also supervisors, managers and administrators behind the scenes. If you are concerned about a matter of library policy or facilities, you may also want to contact the person who is ultimately responsible for these. Ask for that person's name in the relevant service area or at the Reference Desk.

New CD-ROMs: The following CD-ROM databases have been added to the collections in the Webster (W), Vanier (V) or both (C) Libraries:

Art Index (C), Cross-Cultural CD (W), EconLit (W), GEOBASE (W), Héraclès (V), LLBA Disc (W), MEDLINE (V), Poltox (W), Religion Indexes (W). Descriptions of these and other databases are found in the brochure, "CD-ROM Databases in the Concordia Libraries."

Rector's Holiday hours

During the week of February 20, the libraries are open with regular services except on Friday, February 24 (Rector's Holiday), when the schedule will be as follows:

Open for study: 8:30 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Circulation service: 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Reference service: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Government publications service: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Serials/microforms service: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Inter-library Loans, Special Collections and the Library Media Centres will be closed.

IN BRIEF...

Fabrikant appeals murder conviction

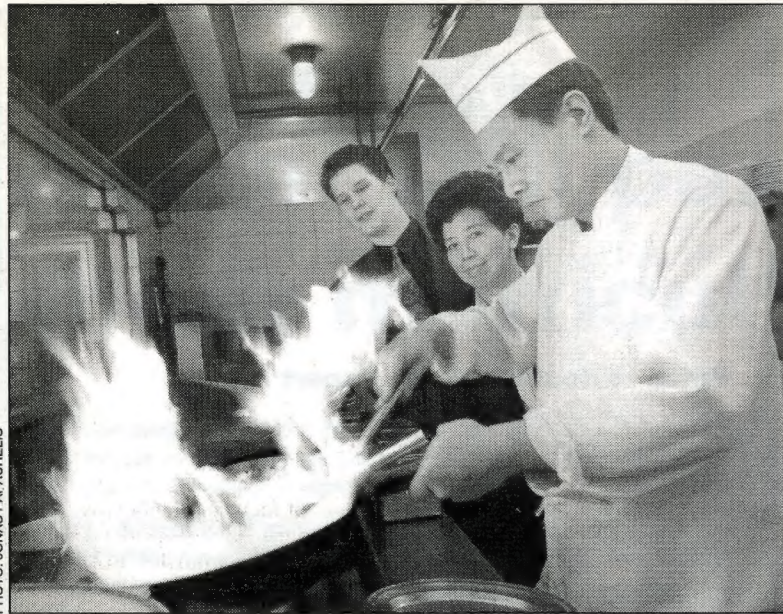
Valery Fabrikant has asked the Québec Court of Appeal to overturn his 1993 conviction on charges related to the 1992 murders of four colleagues at Concordia.

In an appearance Monday before a three-judge panel, the former mechanical engineering professor claimed his rights were violated at the trial when

Superior Court Justice Fraser Martin terminated his defence before Fabrikant could testify.

Concordia Legal Counsel Bram Freedman said this week that whatever the Court of Appeal decision, it will almost certainly be appealed to the Supreme Court of Canada, which would likely not render a final judgment in the matter for two to three years. Fabrikant is currently serving a life sentence without parole for 25 years.

- KJW



Jesse Walker (far left) looks on as Luck Hop Foo chef Kwok Keunk Choi prepares General Tao chicken. Restaurant owner Anna Wong is in the centre.

Journalism student scoops the competition

A United Nations of food delivery

BY LIZ WARWICK

Under the banner Gourmet Express, Jesse Walker offers dishes from China, Ethiopia, Mexico and at least eight other countries. And that's before dessert.

Walker, a second-year Journalism student, runs Montréal's only multi-restaurant delivery service. Unlike the ubiquitous pizza/burger/fried-chicken joints, Gourmet Express has a menu of 450 items drawn from 14 Montréal restaurants. Customers pay the same price for the food as they would in the restaurant. Walker earns money by paying a lower price at the restaurant, plus charging a \$2.50 delivery fee.

It's a system that satisfies everyone involved, said Walker, 21. Customers order what their taste buds desire, restaurants avoid the problems of setting up take-out service, and Walker profits from the experience, if not the money. Started last August, the company "is breaking even."

The idea for Gourmet Express came during a trip to Ottawa, where Walker noticed fliers for several multi-restaurant delivery services. After a little research, he discovered that over 85 North American cities have multi-restaurant delivery services. Knowing the quality of food to be found in Montréal, he wondered why his home town didn't have such a business. "Why don't I do something?" he thought.

He started looking for restaurants that might want to participate. To ensure fast delivery and hot food, he limited them to the area between St. Denis St. and St. Laurent Blvd., and began testing the old-fashioned way. "I gained about 10 pounds," Walker said of the search, which finally netted him 14 restaurants whose food and prices met his approval.

Armed with a \$3,000 federal gov-

ernment loan (now paid back) and his own money, Walker set up his business in an old factory building along the Lachine Canal. He now employs four drivers and has a rotating group of about 10 people who answer the phones and take orders. Many of his employees are students, attracted by the evening shifts. (Gourmet Express operates from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m., seven days a week.)

Draws on writing skills

Enthusiastic and energetic, Walker doesn't find anything strange about studying journalism during the day and running a food business at night. In fact, he draws on his writing skills to prepare press releases, create catchy advertisements and deal with the media. And Walker says his business also adds value to his education. "What's a degree if you don't have life experience to balance it out?"

Of course, being a student also makes Walker sensitive to the needs of that constituency. While Gourmet Express normally doesn't deliver west of Westmount or east of Papineau Ave., Walker sometimes makes exceptions for the Loyola Campus dorms, especially during exams. As well, he'll be offering a "student special" (not restricted to Concordia students) of free soft drinks during mid-terms and final exams.

But more than offering student customers a break, Walker has some advice for would-be entrepreneurs. "If someone has an idea, no matter how crazy it seems, they should go ahead and do it, because they'll learn so much from the experience, whether they succeed or fail." ♦

Gourmet Express can be reached at 933-1995. There is a \$15 minimum order and delivery time varies between 45 and 55 minutes.

OFFICE OF RESEARCH SERVICES GRANT DEADLINES

Please note that the following internal deadlines may change upon receipt of agency updates for these programmes.

Agency / Grant

Deadline

MARCH

AUCC/Professional Partnerships Programme	Mar 25
Actuarial Education and Research Fund/Individual Grants Competition	Mar 31
Alexander S. Onassis Public Benefit Foundation/Grant	Mar 8
Banting Research Foundation/Grants in Medical Research	Mar 21
CERCA/CRM Postdoctoral Fellowship	Mar 1
Corporate-Higher Education Forum/Awards	Mar 1
Développement de la culture scientifique et technique/Programme de soutien	Mar 8
Health Canada/Seniors Independence Programme	Mar 12
Health and Welfare Canada/Canada's Drug Strategy (status pending)	Mar 24
Health and Welfare Canada/Collaborative Research on AIDS	Mar 8
Industrial Partners Programme/Research Grants	Mar 25
Institut National de la Recherche Scientifique/Postdoctoral Fellowships	Mar 28
Institute of Public Administration of Canada/Award	Mar 24
MRC/Research Grants	Mar 6
Markle Foundation/Grants	Mar 1
McGill University/Commander C. Bellows Fellowship	Mar 31
NATO/Collaborative Research Grants	Mar 24
Partnerships-MRC-National Cancer Institute of Canada/Research Grant	Mar 25
Programme de soutien au français scientifique/Aide aux colloques scientifiques québécois	Mar 18
Programme de soutien au français scientifique/Aide aux congrès scientifiques internationaux	Mar 18
Reservoir and Recovery Forum - Canada/Grants and Contracts	Mar 23
Secretary of State/Canadian Studies and Special Projects Directorate	Mar 23
Stanley Foundation Research Awards/The Stanley Foundation Alliance for Mentally Ill	Mar 25

APRIL

CQRS/Bourses de chercheurs-boursiers en recherche sociale	Apr 30
CQRS/Subventions de développement d'équipes en recherche sociale	Apr 29
Canada Council/The Explorations Programme	Apr 23
Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies/M. and D. Kowalsky Endowment Fund & P. Jacyk Centre for Ukrainian Historical Research	Apr 22
Coopération Québec-Etats-Unis/Programme de soutien	Apr 22
Développement de la culture scientifique et technique/Pour certains autres organismes	Apr 1
Franklin Institute/Bower Award and Prize for Achievement in Science	Apr 17
Ministère de l'Industrie, du Commerce, de la Science et de la Tech./Prix du Québec	Apr 21
Multiculturalism and Citizenship Canada/Canadian Ethnic Studies Conferences	Apr 21
Multiculturalism and Citizenship Canada/Canadian Ethnic Studies Research Grants	Apr 21
Multiculturalism and Citizenship Canada/Canadian Ethnic Studies Visiting Lectureships	Apr 21
Multiculturalism and Citizenship Canada/Creative and Cultural Expression	Apr 23
NSERC/Collaborative Project Grants	Apr 17
NSERC/Strategic Individual and Team Grants	Apr 3
Partnerships-NSERC-Environment Canada/Wildlife Toxicology Fund	Apr 7
Royal Society of Canada/McNeil Medal	Apr 8
SSHRC/Support to Specialized Collections	Apr 25
Science Culture Canada/Project Funding/Core Funding	Apr 8
Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation of Canada/Major Research Grants	Apr 23
Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation of Canada/Research Grants in Intellectual Disability	Apr 23
Simon Fraser University/Thakore Visiting Scholar Award	Apr 7
Whitaker Foundation/Biomedical Engineering Research Grant	Apr 18

MAY

March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation/Research Grant Programs	May 23
Multiculturalism and Citizenship Canada/Creative and Cultural Expression	May 25
NSERC/Japanese Agency of Industrial Science and Technology (AIST-MITI)	May 20
Partnerships-NSERC-CSA/Matching Funds Programme	May 25

IN BRIEF...

Landslide win for Lucienne Robillard

Liberal Lucienne Robillard won the federal seat of Saint-Henri-Westmount (which includes Concordia's Sir George Williams Campus) this week by a large margin. The former provincial Minister of Higher Education was picked by Prime Minister Jean Chrétien to replace sitting member David Berger, thus precipitating the February 13 by-election. She is expected to play a leading role for federalist forces in the coming independence referendum campaign.

Notice of meeting

Concordia University Part-Time Faculty Association
General consultation meeting
CUPFA's new draft constitutional proposals

Friday, March 3, 1995

2:30 p.m. - Room H-110

Open to all eligible CUPFA members
with 1994-95 membership cards.



NOTICE TO ALL FULL-TIME FACULTY MEMBERS FACULTY RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (FRDP)

Function and Objectives

The FRDP was established by Senate in 1989 to provide incentive and support for research and creative activity in all disciplines of study at Concordia University. Its principal objectives are the following:

- promote the growth of a research culture at Concordia;
- hone proposal preparation skills so as to improve success at obtaining external funding;
- improve the faculty's ability to train future researchers;
- promote the faculty's productivity, credible research, artistic productions and publications;
- promote the faculty's ability to plan a research programme and to budget for its realization.

Following the FRDP evaluation completed in May 1994, the programme was adjusted to encompass the following categories of support:

1. Start-up grants to new faculty members
2. Re-entry grants to senior faculty
3. Bridge support
4. Major Inter-Disciplinary Research Initiatives (MIDRI)

START-UP

Objective

To provide initial research funding to new tenured or tenure-track faculty members.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicant must be a new hire no further than 13 months from starting at Concordia University.

Evaluation Criteria

- Quality of proposal [organization, clarity, coherence, budget adequacy, completeness, etc.]
- Excellence of research proposed [originality, feasibility, conceptual coherence, logic, methods, etc.]

Timing of Competition(s)

Two competitions will be held each year, one in June and one in December.

Period of Award

- Awards will be made for a period of three years, except in the case where an applicant already has external funding. In that case, awards may be made for one year.
- Release of the third-year funding will be contingent upon a clearly demonstrated effort to secure external funding, or the actual receipt of an external grant.
- Termination dates will be assigned to all grants awarded, six months after the expiry date of the grant.

RE-ENTRY

Objective

To provide research funding to senior individual faculty members who wish to resume an active research career following a period of inactivity

Eligibility Criteria

Applicant must be a full-time faculty member who has not been active in research for a period greater than three (3) years, due primarily to administrative or health-related reasons.

Evaluation Criteria

- Quality of proposal [organization, clarity, coherence, budget adequacy, completeness, etc.]
- Excellence of research proposed [originality, feasibility, conceptual coherence, logic, methods, etc.]
- Demonstrated research activity and funding prior to the period of inactivity

Timing of Competition(s)

One competition will be held each May.

Period of Award

- Awards will be made for a period of two years.
- Release of the second year funding will be contingent upon a demonstrated effort to secure external funding, or the actual

receipt of an external grant.

- Termination dates will be assigned to all grants awarded, six months after the expiry date of the grant.

BRIDGE

Objective

To support individual tenured or tenure-track faculty members who have submitted an application to an agency utilizing a peer-review adjudication process, and who meet either or both of the following criteria:

- the applicant has been recommended for funding, but no award was made due to insufficient agency funds;
- the applicant has received external agency support in the past, for an ongoing research or creative activity the financial support for which has been recently lost as the result of an external agency decision.

****This option is only available for research (operating) grant applications.**

Eligibility Criteria

- No bridge funding received from the FRDP funds in the previous five years
- Absence of an alternate source of funding

Evaluation Criteria

- Budget requested is largely to support deserving graduate students [undergraduate student support may be considered if the department does not have a graduate programme]
- Demonstrated activity to find alternate sources of funding

Timing of Competition(s)

A single competition will be held each May.

Period of Award

- Awards will be made for a period of one year and will not be extended beyond that period under any circumstances.
- Termination dates will be assigned to all grants awarded, six months after the

expiry date of the grant.

MAJOR INTER-DISCIPLINARY RESEARCH INITIATIVES [MIDRI]

Objective

Support of the development of a single, identifiable, new research programme based on complementary research interests of faculty members with differing disciplinary backgrounds. The award is intended to primarily support infrastructure needs. Applications under this element should be the precursors of major research endeavours. It will be expected that a significant number of the teams thus supported will continue to build on the intellectual synergy created, and result in the formation of a recognized research centre or institute.

Eligibility Criteria

- Five or more Concordia faculty members, coming from at least three departments
- Inter-disciplinary subject area
- Each applicant must be the recipient of at least one external grant or contract

Evaluation Criteria

- Quality of proposal [organization, clarity, coherence, budget adequacy, completeness, etc.]
- Excellence of research proposed [originality, feasibility, conceptual coherence, logic, methods, etc.]
- Excellence of research activity of the applicants
- Timeliness within the economic and political context/environment

Timing of Competition(s)

Letters of Intent will be accepted in April, August, and December. Selected applicants will be advised within six weeks and invited to submit complete applications.

Period of Award

- Awards will be made for a period of two years.
- Termination dates will be assigned to all grants awarded.

OFFICE OF RESEARCH SERVICES

Important SSHRC Programme Changes

AID TO LEARNED JOURNALS

This programme has been redesigned and new information will be received in early April. The June 30 deadline is not expected to change. Preliminary information is now available at ORS.

AID TO OCCASIONAL SCHOLARLY CONFERENCES IN CANADA AND AID TO INTERNATIONAL CONGRESSES IN CANADA

Results of the current competition are expected at the end of February. This programme has been redesigned and there will be two yearly competitions with deadlines of May 1 and November 1. ORS is awaiting new programme descriptions and application forms.

TRAVEL GRANTS FOR INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATION

Last competition under way, thereby eliminating March 1, 1995 deadline. This programme has been cancelled and travel requests are to be made to the University's General Research Fund.

Please discard all information and application forms you may have regarding the above programmes immediately. For more information, please contact the Office of Research Services at 848-4888.

POST-COLONIAL *continued from p.1*

Olaogun's course, Gender and Nation, looks at the parallels between gender issues and post-colonial issues, such as power relations and knowledge.

Students also look at the hallowed literary classics from a post-colonial perspective. Ten Kortenaar reminds students that *Robinson Crusoe* was written in a society that had slaves, and that Jane Austen was writing from the nerve-centre of a huge empire.

Canadian-born, ten Kortenaar taught high-school English in Nigeria from 1979 to 1981. "Travel made nonsense of all the history I'd been taught. For the past 20 years, Nigerians have been studying their own history and producing a literature in English," he said. He moved to Nicaragua in 1982 to teach adult literacy classes and Spanish for two more years.

"In both Nigeria and Nicaragua, you are not allowed to forget other places," he said. "Africa, India, the West Indies and Latin America are doing what we all have to do—trying to imagine how the whole world is related."

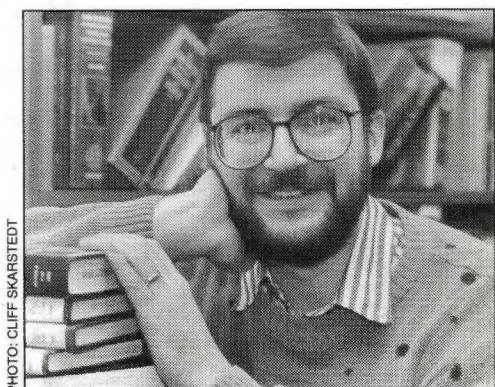
Ten Kortenaar holds three degrees, including a PhD from the University of Toronto. He

has taught at Hubei University in China, the University of Toronto, and Université Ste-Anne in Nova Scotia.

In his courses, students read novels written by Nigerian writers Chinua Achebe and Ben Okri, and Trinidadian writer V.S. Naipaul, among others.

Some of the most prominent post-colonial literary theorists in Olaogun's courses include Frantz Fanon, Edward Said, Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak and Anthony Kwame Appiah.

Ten Kortenaar said, "Modupé and I would like to organize a graduate programme which would include work in English, French, Spanish and other languages." ♥



Neil ten Kortenaar

The BACK Page

Events, notices and classified ads must reach the Public Relations Department (BC-115) in writing no later than Thursday, 5 p.m. the week prior to the Thursday publication. For more information, please contact Kevin Leduc at 848-4881, by fax: 848-2814 or by e-mail: kevin@alcor.concordia.ca.

FEBRUARY 16 • MARCH 2

Alumni news

Career Choice

Tuesday, February 21

Career Choice is designed to help those unsure of a career option. Through a series of discovery activities, participants will take a look at their own unique skills, values and characteristics. Time: 7 to 9:30 p.m., SGW-H. 767, \$12 per person. Information: 848-3817.

Concert Hall

Sunday, February 19

Violin students directed by Elenora Turovsky. Time: 3 p.m. Free

Counselling & Development

Mature Students workshop

This career-planning workshop can help you to discover your interests and abilities and find out how to shape them into an individualized package attractive to prospective employers in today's job market. Wednesday, February 22 from 9:30 a.m. - noon. Call 848-3545 for more information.

CPR Courses

The following CPR courses will be offered by the EH&S Office in the next few weeks. Members of the Concordia and outside communities can take these courses. Contact Donna Fasciano, Training Co-ordinator, at 848-4355.

CSST First-Aid course February 25 & 26

14-hour course: One and a half days of first-aid and half a day of CPR. Certification is given by the CSST and is valid for three years.

CPR Heartsaver Course March 5

4 hours for life: This course includes rescue breathing, one-person rescuer CPR, and management of the obstructed airway.

Film

Conservatoire d'Art

Cinéma J.A. DeSève, 1400 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W., Concordia University (Métro Guy-Concordia). Admission: \$3.

Friday, February 17

Le corbeau at 7 p.m.; L'éternel retour at 9 p.m.

Saturday, February 18

Le ciel est à vous at 7 p.m.; Lucrece at 9 p.m.

Monday, February 20

Les enfants du paradis at 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 21

The Band Wagon at 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 22

Kino-Prawda British Sounds at 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 23

Ulysses at 7 p.m.

The Loyola Film Series

F.C. Smith Auditorium, 7141 Sherbrooke St. W. Tel. 848-3878

Free Admission

Wednesday, March 1

L'enfant sauvage, François Truffaut (1969) at 7 p.m.; Le boucher, Claude Chabrol (1970) at 8:50 p.m.

Lacolle Centre for Educational Innovation

Saturday, March 4 Female Authority

This workshop examines whether it is possible for a woman to be both a healthy adult and an ideal woman. Leader: Marie-Francine Joron. Time: 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Location: Loyola Campus. Fee: \$56.98. Information: 848-4955.

Saturday, March 11 Tap your daily habits for greater health and energy

Using the Gurdjieff Method, learn how to use concentration and movement to enhance daily living. Leader: Edward Fanaberia. Time: 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Location: Loyola Campus. Fee: \$56.98. Information: 848-4955.

Lectures and seminars

Department of Communication Studies

Thursday, Feb. 16

Mediatrube, the Department's undergraduate journal, presents a panel discussion on ensuring access to the info-highway in a changing media environment. Speakers are: Dominique Olliver, editor and co-founder of *images*, an intercultural magazine; Marc Raboy, author of *Missed Opportunities* and communications professor at Université de Montréal; and Sean Yerxa, Students for Socially Responsible Communication Study. The discussion begins at 6 p.m. in BR-209 (Bryan Building, 7141 Sherbrooke St. West.)

Department of Geology

Thursday, February 16

Aïcha Achab, Director, INRS Géoressources, on Paleozoic organic-walled microfossils. Time: 1 p.m. Location: DS-229, 7141 Sherbrooke St. W. All are welcome.

Concordia Irish Lecture Series

Thursday, February 16

Michael Longley, Northern Irish poet, winner 1991 Whitbread Prize. Time: 8 p.m. Location: H-769, 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd W. Free. Information: 848-2435.

Sparklers Club of Concordia

Thursday, February 16

C.J. Taylor, Mohawk artist and author, will present an illustrated lecture on her works and describe the legends she paints. Time: 2:30 p.m. Location: H-937, 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W.

Department of Exercise Science

Thursday, February 16

Dr. Robert D. Steadward, Director, Rick Hansen Centre, University of Alberta, on "Health, sports and exercise for persons with disabilities: The disability sport movement." Time: 7 p.m. Location: BR-207, 7141 Sherbrooke St. W. (wheelchair-accessible from West Broadway). Information: 848-3327, FAX 848-8681.

Liberal Arts College

Thursday, February 16

Hayden White on "Self, voice, and identity: The crisis of humanistic ethics." Time: 8:30 p.m. Location: H-110, 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W. Information: 848-2565.

Social Aspects of Engineering

Tuesday, February 28

Bruce Walker, Course: Engr. 495/4B Environmental Assessment. Time: 11:45 a.m. - 1 p.m. Location: H-635-2, 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W.

Department of Art Education

Tuesday, February 28

Leah Sherman, Professor Emeritus, with Suzanne Lemerise, Professor of Art Education, UQAM on "Archival Collections of Student Art Work in Historical Research." Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Location: VA-245, 1395 René-Lévesque Blvd. W.

Thursdays at Lonergan

Thursday, March 2

Edmund Egan, PhD, Department of Philosophy and Lonergan Fellow, on "Ugliness and Despair in the Postmodern Moment." Time: 3:30 - 5 p.m., 7302 Sherbrooke St. W. Information: 848-2280.

School of Graduate Studies News

Jobs and Graduate Studies for Computer Science students

Thursday, March 2

An informal gathering has been organized to allow students and teachers to discuss graduate studies and jobs available to graduating students. Keynote speakers will be on hand, as well as a buffet and prizes. Time: 5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. Location: H-762, 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W. This event is a must for all people interested. Questions: altmann@es.concordia.ca

Doctoral Thesis Defences

Tuesday, February 21

Richard Lachapelle, Art Education, on "Aesthetic understanding as informed experience: Ten informant-made videographic accounts about the process of aesthetic learning." Time: 10 a.m. Location: H-769, 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W.

Monday, February 27

Raafat Saad, Civil Engineering, on "Modelling of surges caused by the release of breakup ice." Time: 11 a.m. Location: H-769, 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W.

Thursday, March 9

Carole Groleau, Communication Studies, on "An examination of the computerized information flow contributing to the mobility of tasks in three newly computerized firms." Time: 1 p.m. Location: H-769, 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W.

Special events and notices

In the Name of the Father

Sunday, Feb. 26

Gerry Conlon, the real-life hero of the film, will speak after this special screening. The film starts at 3:30 p.m. in the J.A. DeSève Cinema (1400 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W.). Call 481-3503.

School of Community and Public Affairs

Wednesday, March 1

SCPA panel discussion on "The Information Superhighway: Privacy, Content, Regulation." Time: 6 p.m. Location: 2149 Mackay St., basement lounge. All welcome. Information: 848-2575.

Vienna, Prague and Berlin

May 14 - 28, 1995

Spend 14 days in the heart of Europe with host Warren Sanderson, Professor of Art History. Visit art museums, attend the opera, take a boat ride on the Danube, explore a castle. Information: Julia Denker before March 31 at 848-3605

Women's "Y" Fitness Centre

Thanks to an agreement between Concordia and the Women's "Y" Fitness Centre, you can now get in shape for less. Call 866-9941, ext. 502.

Theatre

The Suicide by Nikolai Erdman, tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. in the D.B. Clarke Theatre, Hall Building, 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W. Tickets: \$10/\$7 students & seniors. Call 848-4742.

Unclassified

House for rent

In Lachine west, by prof on sabbatical (June 1995-June 1996). Three bedrooms, furnished and equipped; 15 minutes from the Métro by train; sunny, private garden, garage; 10 minute walk from Lake St. Louis. \$800/month plus utilities. L. Lewis, 343-7721 or 634-8633.

For sale

Botanic Garden china by Portmeirion - dinner, side plates, soup bowls. call 848-4857.

Sublet

Large 3 1/2 to sublet, Monkland and Grand, near buses, metro and Loyola. Call: Isabelle at 848-2664.

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Student papers, etc.. Transcript of tapes, preparation of resumes, translation Spanish/English. Tutoring English. 7 days/week. 10-minute walk. Marian 288-0016.

Workshops

Learning Development Office

Thursday, March 2

"Bridging the Gap in Responding to Student Papers"

This workshop will show faculty what kinds of comments students find helpful for improving their writing. Leader: Mary O'Malley. Time: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Location: H-440, 1400 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W. Call 848-2495 to register.

Women's Centre

Black History Month

Tonight at 7 p.m., the Centre presents Dale Owens, a woman writing "her-story," for an evening of reading and sharing stories. Women are invited to bring their own work to read. Location: 2020 Mackay St. (downstairs). All women are welcome.

Women and Safer Sex

Workshops for women on issues that affect our choices about safer sex: "Safer Sex and Body Image" on Monday, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m., "Safer Sex and Sexuality," March 6. Location: Women's Centre, 2020 Mackay St.

Healing: Flying on your own

Group for women who are or have been in abusive relationships will be starting in March, Saturdays from 1 to 3 p.m. for eight weeks.

For information on any of the above events, call the Women's Centre at 848-7431.

Honorary Degree Nominations

Honorary degree nominations are being accepted for the **Fall 1995** convocation ceremonies.

All members of the Concordia community (faculty, students, staff and alumni) are invited to nominate candidates.* Each submission **MUST** include a detailed curriculum vitae and a succinct statement explaining why the nominator thinks the candidate is worthy of such an honour. The nomination deadline is **March 15, 1995**.

Nomination forms (as well as the criteria and procedures for selecting honou-rands) are available at the Office of the Secretary-General, Room S-BC-124 (local 7319).

* Note: Current members of the Faculty, the Administration and the Board of Governors are not eligible for honorary degrees.



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